

Rules of the Silk Road Youth International Photography Competition

Beijing, China

In August 2017, Silk Road Photographic Organization International Alliance was officially founded after a signing ceremony joined by Belt and Road countries (hereinafter referred to as B&R countries) in China. In order to conform to the alliance's tenet of "inherit the Silk Road spirit, focus on the Belt and Road development, enhance innovation, cooperation and development, adhere to reciprocity and win-win strategy", and with the aim of practicing the photography exchanges among B&R countries, promoting cross-boundary integration and innovation development of diverse cultures, and strengthening youth photography education and communication in the world, Silk Road Photographic Organization International Alliance specially initiated the Silk Road Youth International Photography Competition in cooperation with Beijing China Millennium Monument World Art Center, Beijing International Art and Photography Foundation, Shandong International Cultural Exchange Center. This competition has been formally accredited by the international federation of photography(FIAP). Meanwhile made the below competition rules:

Article One Entry Requirements

1. Adolescents from all over the world aged between 8-25 years old who take interests in photography can participate.
2. Participants will be divided into two groups: A and B. Group A targets at adolescents aged between 8 to 15 years, and Group B between 16 to 25 years. Both groups can participate in the single works and group works.
3. There is no charge for the competition.

Article Two Requirements for entry works

1. Content requirements:

No specific requirement for contents and themes. Works that express the national cultural life, natural landscape, intangible cultural heritage and local customs are particularly encouraged.

2. Submission requirements:

Each participant can submit single width at most 10 pieces, portfolio works can not to exceed 3 set (6 frames each set). Single works and group works are eligible to participate the competition.

Participants should submit their name of works along with picture introduction or description.

Each entry work should be in JPEG format and not less than 4MB.

Participants should submit works in electronic files to designated mailbox.

Article Three Method of submission

1. International submission mailbox sryipcgo@gehua.com
2. Individual participant is free to submission.
3. Welcome the world's photography organizations and photography education institutions to unified contribution.

Article Four Requirement for entry forms

Participants should fill in the entry form faithfully. Please complete in English, if countries that do not use English can fill form in French, German, Spanish, Russian, Arabic, but do not accept other language forms.

Article Five Schedule

June 30th, 2018: Entries closed;

July 20th, 2018: Evaluation of works;

August 10th, 2018: Selected works will be displayed in the official website of Photo Beijing;

September 10th, 2018: Editing and publication of album;

In late October 2018: Exhibition of winning works and the award ceremony will be held in China Song Qing Ling Youth Technology and Culture Exchange Center during Photo Beijing. In the future, the exhibition will be hold all of the world.

Article Six Awards setting

1. **6 winners of “The light of Silk Road” Gold Award (3 winners for Group A and B respectively)**

Trophy, certificate, portfolio, competition souvenir medal and prizes (worth 5,000 RMB)

2. 10 winners of “The light of Silk Road” Silver Award(5 winners for Group A and B respectively)

Trophy, certificate, portfolio, competition souvenir medal and prizes (worth 3,000 RMB)

3. 30 winners of “The light of Silk Road” Bronze Award (15 winners for Group A and B respectively)

Trophy, certificate, portfolio, competition souvenir medal and prizes (worth 2,000 RMB)

4. 120 winners of “The light of the Silk Road” Excellence Award (60 winners for Group A and B respectively)

Certificate, portfolio, competition souvenir medal and prizes (worth 500 RMB)

Article Seven Rights

1. Entry works will be exhibited in special exhibitions of Photo Beijing and itinerant exhibition activities in China and foreign.
2. Introduction of entry works and participants will have the opportunity to be published on the official websites of the Silk Road Photographic Organizations and of Photo Beijing.
3. Winning entries will be selected into “Excellent Portfolio of Silk Road Youth International Photography Competition”. Winners will have the opportunity to participate in the shooting of the publicity film for the competition.
4. Participants will have the opportunity to participate in the fellowship of Silk Road Youth International Photography Competition.
5. Winners of “The light of Silk Road” Gold Award, “The light of Silk Road” Silver Award and representatives of “The light of the Silk Road” Outstanding Organization Award will be invited to the awarding ceremony of Photo Beijing, and participate in activities like lectures, workshops, media meetings etc.
6. The winners need to pay their own international travel expenses, reception by the organizing committee after the arrival of Beijing.

Article Eight Obligations

1. The participants shall ensure that they have full copyright of the submitted works, and do not violate any laws and national convention.
2. All participants shall not cancel the agreement of authorizing free, permanent non-exclusive rights and licenses throughout the world to Photo Beijing and co-sponsors, publication and related non-commercial use of rights and licenses. Allowing them to use submitted works in media promotion and news release related to “Silk Road Youth International Photography Competition” through various channels.
3. All participants will be deemed to accept the terms and conditions of this event, including but not limited to participating in exhibitions and activities related to this event, such as sharing of project achievements and product user experience, within the cooperation period.

Article Nine Structure of the Organizing Committee

Honorary Chairman: Riccardo Busi,

President of FIAP and Honorary Chairman of “Silk Road Photographic Organization International Alliance”

Chairman: Yang Yuanxing,

Chairman of China Artistic Photography Society and Chairman of “Silk Road Photographic Organization International Alliance”

Ioannis Lykouris,

Secretary General of FIAP and Chairman of “Silk Road Photographic Organization International Alliance”

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Specialist representatives of “Silk Road Photographic Organization International Alliance” and FIAP.

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Article Ten Sponsors

Silk Road Photographic Organization International Alliance

China Millennium Monument World Art Center

China Soong Ching Ling Science&Culture Centre For Young People

Beijing International Arts & Photography Foundation

Shandong International Cultural Exchange Center

Article Eleven Organizers

Youth Photography Committee of Silk Road Photographic Organization International
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National Youth Photography Education Steering Committee

China Millennium Monument · World Art Museum

Silk Road Youth International Photography Competition Organizing Committee

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